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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM D

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NOTICE OF SALE OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO REGULATION D,
SECTION 4(6), AND/OR
UNIFORM LIMITED OFFERING EXEMPTION

SEC USE ONLY					
Prefix		Serial			
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Name of Offering ([] check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)

Notes and Warrants

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Filing Under (Check box(es) that apply):

[ ] <u>Rule 504</u> [**X**] <u>Rule 505</u> [ **X**] <u>Rule 506</u> [ ] Section 4(6) [ ] ULOE

Type of Filing: [X] New Filing [] Amendment

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# A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. Enter the information requested about the issuer

Name of Issuer ([ ] check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)

Niman Ranch, Inc.

Address of Executive Offices (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) Telephone Number (Including Area Code)

1025 E. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, CA 94606 (510) 808-0330

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Telephone Number (Including Area Code) if different from Executive Offices) SAME								
Brief Description of Business Raising, Processing and Sale of Beef, Lamb and Pork								
Type of Business Organiza	ation							
[X] corporation	[ ] limited partne	ership, already formed	[ ] other (please specify):					
[ ] business trust	[ ] limited partne	ership, to be formed						
		Month Year						
Actual or Estimated Date of Organization:	of Incorporation or	[0]3] [0]1]	[X] Actual [] Estimated					
Jurisdiction of Incorporation			ervice abbreviation for State: n jurisdiction)					

Address of Principal Rusiness Operations (Number and Street City State 7in Code)

# **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

### Federal:

Who Must File: All issuers making an offering of securities in reliance on an exemption under <u>Regulation D</u> or Section 4(6), 17 CFR 230.501 et seq. or 15 U.S.C. 77d(6).

When to File: A notice must be filed no later than 15 days after the first sale of securities in the offering. A notice is deemed filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on the earlier of the date it is received by the SEC at the address given below or, if received at that address after the date on which it is due, on the date it was mailed by United States registered or certified mail to that address.

Where to File: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549.

Copies Required: Five (5) copies of this notice must be filed with the SEC, one of which must be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed must be photocopies of manually signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.

Information Required: A new filing must contain all information requested. Amendments need only report the name of the issuer and offering, any changes thereto, the information requested in Part C, and any material changes from the information previously supplied in Parts A and B. Part E and the Appendix need not be filed with the SEC.

Filing Fee: There is no federal filing fee.

### State:

This notice shall be used to indicate reliance on the Uniform Limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) for sales of securities in those states that have adopted ULOE and that have adopted this form. Issuers relying on ULOE must file a separate notice with the Securities Administrator in each state where sales are to be, or have been made. If a state requires the payment of a fee as a precondition to the claim for the exemption, a fee in the proper amount shall accompany this form. This notice shall be filed in the appropriate states in accordance with state law. The Appendix in the notice constitutes a part of this notice and must be completed.

# A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA

# 2. Enter the information requested for the following:

- Each promoter of the issuer, if the issuer has been organized within the past five years;
- Each beneficial owner having the power to vote or dispose, or direct the vote or disposition of, 10% or more of a class of equity securities of the issuer;
- Each executive officer and director of corporate issuers and of corporate general and managing partners of partnership issuers; and
- Each general and managing partner of partnership issuers.

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Check Box(es) th Apply:	at [] F	• •	eneficial wner	[X]	Executive Officer	[X]	Director [ ]	General and/or Managing Partner
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Full Name (Last name first, if individual) Corbus, Clay						
Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) 1025 East 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, CA 94606						
Check Box(es) that [ ] Promoter [ ] Beneficial [ ] Executive [ ] Director [ ] General and/or Apply: Owner Officer Managing Partner						
Full Name (Last name first, if individual)						
Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)						
Check Box(es) that [ ] Promoter [ ] Beneficial [ ] Executive [ ] Director [ ] General Apply: Owner Officer Managing Partner						
Full Name (Last name first, if individual)						
Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)						
(Use blank sheet, or copy and use additional copies of this sheet, as necessar	ry.)					
B. INFORMATION ABOUT OFFERING						
Has the issuer sold, or does the issuer intend to sell, to non-accredited investors in this offering?	Yes No [ ] [X ]					
Answer also in Appendix, Column 2, if filing under ULOE.						
2. What is the minimum investment that will be accepted from any individual?	\$ <u>10,000</u>					
3. Does the offering permit joint ownership of a single unit?	Yes No [X][]					
4. Enter the information requested for each person who has been or will be paid or given, directly or indirectly, any commission or similar remuneration for solicitation of purchasers in connection with sales of securities in the offering. If a person to be listed is an associated person or agent of a broker or dealer registered with the SEC and/or with a state or states, list the name of the broker or dealer. If more than five (5) persons to be listed are associated persons of such a broker or dealer, you may set forth the information for that broker or dealer only.						
Full Name (Last name first, if individual) None						
Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)						
Name of Associated Broker or Dealer						
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	Non-accredited Investors			0	\$0
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	Answer also in A	Appendix, Column 4, if filir	ng under ULOE.		
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Partnership Interests .....

b. Enter the difference between the aggregate offering price given in response to Part C - Question 1 and total expenses furnished in response to Part C - Question 4.a. This difference is the "adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer." ............

[X] \$4,414,000

5. Indicate below the amount of the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer used or proposed to be used for each of the purposes shown. If the amount for any purpose is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate. The total of the payments listed must equal the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer set forth in response to Part C - Question 4.b above

Payments to Officers, Directors, & Affiliates	Payments To Others
[X]\$0	[X]\$0
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# D. FEDERAL SIGNATURE

The issuer has duly caused this notice to be signed by the undersigned duly authorized person. If this notice is filed under <u>Rule 505</u>, the following signature constitutes an undertaking by the issuer to furnish to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, upon written request of its staff, the information furnished by the issuer to any non-accredited investor pursuant to paragraph (b)(2) of <u>Rule 502</u>.

Issuer (Print or Type) Niman Ranch, Inc.	Signature Date 11/21/6/3
Name of Signer (Print or Type) Michael McConnell	Title of Signer (Print or Type)  Chief Executive Officer

# **ATTENTION**

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001.)

# **E. STATE SIGNATURE**

Is any party described in 17 CFR 230.262 presently subject to any of the disqualification provisions of such rule?	Yes No [ ] [ <b>X</b> ]
See Appendix, Column 5, for state response.	

- 2. The undersigned issuer hereby undertakes to furnish to any state administrator of any state in which this notice is filed, a notice on Form D (17 CFR 239,500) at such times as required by state law.
- 3. The undersigned issuer hereby undertakes to furnish to the state administrators, upon written request, information furnished by the issuer to offerees.
- 4. The undersigned issuer represents that the issuer is familiar with the conditions that must be satisfied to be entitled to the Uniform limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) of the state in which this notice is filed and understands that the issuer claiming the availability of this exemption has the burden of establishing that these conditions have been satisfied.

The issuer has read this notification and knows the contents to be true and has duly caused this notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Issuer (Print or Type)	Signature Date
Niman Ranch, Inc.	Siff Wellied 11/21/63
Name of Signer (Print or Type)	Title (Print or Type)
Michael McConnell	Chief Executive Officer

# Instruction:

Print the name and title of the signing representative under his signature for the state portion of this form. One copy of every notice on Form D must be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed must be photocopies of the manually signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.

# **APPENDIX**

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